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Violent Criminal Apprehension Team arrests 123 fugitives since late May of 2008

In addition, 10 Fugitive Sex Offenders arrested

On May 12, 2008, the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) was directed by Governor Napolitano to develop a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional statewide plan to identify and arrest individuals with outstanding felony warrants. This statewide effort is known as the Violent Criminal Apprehension Team (VCAT).

So far, VCAT has arrested **123** fugitives. **10** fugitive sex offender warrants were also served. Some of those arrested include:

Daniel Sedillo Canales Jr. was arrested for a felony warrant out of **Maricopa County Superior Court** for failure to appear on Burglary 3rd degree, possession of burglary tools, and unlawful means of transportation. Canales is a suspect in various other crimes to include armed robbery, a drive-by shooting and theft. Canales is known as a street gang member operating out of Cashion and Avondale. Canales threatened to "put a bullet in the head" of anybody who turned him into the police.

Reyes Gonzalez Alcantar was arrested for a felony warrant out of **Maricopa County Superior Court** for a probation violation on burglary charges. Alcantar is a known street gang member.

Linda Samaniego Medrano was arrested for a felony warrant out of **Maricopa County Superior Court** for Probation Violation in connection with charges for Sexual Misconduct with a Minor. Medrano was arrested and convicted of molesting and having sex with her two children for three years while they were both 5 and 8. Medrano was convicted and placed on intensive probation. Medrano's probation does not allow her to have contact with children. She had violated her probation. *VCAT worked with Maricopa County Adult Probation to locate and arrest Medrano.

Jason D. Scott was arrested for a felony warrant out of the **Maricopa County Superior Court** Probation Violation on Sexual Conduct with a Minor.